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Ozark National Scenic Riverways Continues Assessment and Restoration after Major Flooding

Van Buren, MO – Ozark National Scenic Riverways continues to make safety and condition assessments and limited repairs of facilities after excessive rainfall last week. The good weather is dropping river levels and drying the ground which is assisting in the park's restoration efforts. However, there is still plenty to do.

River hazards still exist and the Jacks Fork and Current Rivers remain closed to non-motorized craft until further notice. The facilities that are open remain the same:

- Visitor Contact Station in Van Buren (Open daily 8:00 4:30)
- Big Spring Lodge, its walkway and parking lot
- Historic Alley Mill (Saturdays, Sundays, and Fridays beginning May 7, 9:00 4:45)
 - Parking Lot
 - o Areas in front of Historic Alley Mill and Storey School
 - o Alley Mill Picnic Pavilion
- Round Spring and Pulltite Campgrounds (Reservations made through Reserve America 1-877-444-6777)

Frequent assessments are being made and when appropriate, more areas will be announced opened.

For more information, phone (573) 323-4236 during daily business hours 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/ozar. Ozark National Scenic Riverways preserves the free-flowing Current and Jacks Fork Rivers, the surrounding natural resources, and the unique cultural heritage of the Ozark people.

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